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BID LETTING: DECEMBER 13, 2012

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**101 - WYOMING LINE-NORTH & SF 099 N OF LAME DEER**

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Clarification:

Submitted: Thu, 15-Nov-2012 14:09 MST

SF 099 N OF LAME DEER, HSIP 39-1(43)2 project only. Use either ½-inch or ¾-inch nominal aggregate size when producing commercial plant mix on this project.

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Clarification:

Submitted: Tue, 20-Nov-2012 9:20 MST

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Clarification:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 15:10 MDT

An Addendum has been posted for this project. Please click on the following link to access the information.

**ADDENDUM**

To download the addendum bid file, click here. [BID FILES](#)

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Clarification:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 15:10 MDT

Plan sheet 2, Table of Contents, has been revised to show the Details for Wyola and Aberdeen Interchanges

as Seal and Cover. Sheet 14, the Detail for Aberdeen Interchange, was inadvertently left out of the plans and

has been added at the following link:

**REVISED PLAN SHEETS**

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Submitted: Fri, 30-Nov-2012 10:43 MST

Company: Nelcon, Inc

Contact: Sam Weyers

Question:

Please post any minutes and attendees from the pre-bid meeting.

Answer:

Submitted: Mon. 03-Dec-2012 11:50 MST

The mandatory pre-bid conference record of attendance is available here.

**PRE-BID ATTENDANCE**

The meeting was recorded in audio format. Interested contractors may contact the Billings

District Office at (406) 252-4138 to schedule a time to replay the minutes of the meeting.

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Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 05:40 MST

Company: Nelcon, Inc  
Contact: Sam Weyers  
Question:

With work being completed on two reservations, please confirm the TOTAL TERO fee to be 3% and that

MDT will distribute based on amount of work completed on each reservation?

Thanks.

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 12:55 MST

That is a correct statement.

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Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 06:03 MST

Company: Riverside Contracting Inc

Contact: Dennis Devous

Question:

Since there are two projects here we feel we need atleast 20 more days to get all this work scheduled in.

Could the Dept. add some days to the contract?

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 12:14 MST

The last sentence of SP#2, paragraph C. is hereby changed to the following:

"Work is to be completed

in 75 working days."

An addenda will be issued for this change.

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Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 06:06 MST

Company: Riverside Contracting Inc

Contact: Dennis Devous

Question:

Could you give us the pre-paving IRI and the date which it was run.

Answer:

Submitted: Mon. 10-Dec-2012 12:35 MST

The pre-paving IRI's can be found at the following link:

[PRE-PAVING IRI'S](#)

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Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 06:09 MST

Company: Riverside Contracting Inc

Contact: Dennis Devous

Question:

Since the crack sesling is done prior to cold milling won't the flowable fill be milled out along with

the old crack sealant during the milling operations? Will we then be

required to replace the flowable

fill that was removed?

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 11:38 MST

Some of the crack filling material will be removed during millings operations, however, MDT does not

anticipate that a second application will be required, provided the flowable fill is properly placed and

the material is adequately vibrated into the cracks to fill the voids.

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Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 06:11 MST

Company: Riverside Contracting Inc

Contact: Dennis Devous

Question:

Since the paver is 10.5 feet wide and the Lane Deer widening is two feet we need the Dept's approval to do this work with a motor grader. Will a blade be okay to lay this plant mix?

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 12:27 MST

A motor grader will not be approved as an alternate method of placing and spreading the plant mix.

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Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 08:04 MST

Company: Industrial Builders

Contact: Jay Carney

Question:

The bid item for Cold Milling shows 555,303 SY but there is only 517,282 SY show in the WY Line- North plans and none in the Lane Deer plans, where is the remaining 38,021 SY?

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 12:15 MST

The cold milling item will be revised by addendum. The addendum is scheduled for Monday, December 10, 2012.

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Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 08:19 MST

Company: Riverside Contracting, Inc.

Contact: Kurt Kaufman

Question:

Montana Supplemental Specifications Subsection 401.03.5 states "Commercial plant mix will not be tested on crossovers, detours, guardrail widening, patching or where the volume is less than 500 tons.

Acceptance in these areas will be based on conformance with the established mix design proportion or agreed upon adjustments. Compact these areas to 97% of a control strip as determined necessary by the Project Manager." Will the 2' shoulder widening need to be compacted to 97% or will it not be tested?

Answer:

Submitted: Tue, 11-Dec-2012 14:13 MST

Montana Supplemental Specifications Subsection 401.03.5 does not apply to the subject paving since this is mainline shoulder paving. Complete the 2' shoulder widening in accordance with the Contract, specifically Supplemental and Standard Specification 401.

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Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 08:25 MST

Company: Riverside Contracting, Inc.

Contact: Kurt Kaufman

Question:

Will the contractor be able to waste excess material(Excavation -  
Unclassified and Excavation - Digouts)  
within the project limits?

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 10:40 MST

No, MDT did not procure any permits that would allow material to be wasted  
within the project limits.

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Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 08:32 MST

Company: Riverside Contracting, Inc.

Contact: Kurt Kaufman

Question:

SF 099 N of Lame Deer - Will the department allow the contractor to use a  
coultter wheel when cutting the  
existing asphalt for the proposed shoulder widening?

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 10:35 MST

The Department does not specify a method for cutting the existing PMS. The  
Contractor is to perform the  
work without damaging the remaining plant mix. Any necessary repairs will be  
at the Contractor's expense.

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Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 08:45 MST

Company: Riverside Contracting Inc.

Contact: Dennis Devous

Question:

With all the VMA problems on past jobs is there any thought of changing the  
specification to accomadate the  
aggregates from the local areas.

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 12:24 MST

The plant mix volumetric specifications will not be changed for this project.

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## 102 - 2001 - SUN RIVER - 2 KM S VAUGHN

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Clarification:

Submitted: Thu, 15-Nov-2012 14:09 MST

Use either ½-inch or ¾-inch nominal aggregate size when producing commercial  
plant mix on this project.

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Clarification:

Submitted: Fri, 16-Nov-2012 12:21 MST

Special Provision #24 - Preload with Special Embankment - Replace B. with the  
following:

B. Materials - Construct Special Embankment from Unclassified Borrow as  
described in the ~~Standard~~

Supplemental Specifications, section 203.01.1, part B. Furnish all materials, equipment and labor necessary for placement and removal of Special Embankment with a 90 calendar day wait period.

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Clarification:

Submitted: Fri, 16-Nov-2012 13:15 MST

Add the following sentence to Special Provision #24 - Preload with Special Embankment:

C. Construction. Furnish all resources necessary for placement **and removal** of Special Embankment.

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Clarification:

Submitted: Fri, 16-Nov-2012 13:17 MST

Delete the following sentence from Special Provision #28 - Drilled Shafts:

C. d) 11) In the event that CSL access tubes are not installed to the shaft bottom, MDT may require coring of the shaft to verify shaft integrity at Contractor's expense.

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Clarification:

Submitted: Tue, 20-Nov-2012 9:20 MST

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Submitted: Mon, 19-Nov-2012 14:13 MST

Company: Sletten const.

Contact: Don Charters

Question:

Historically the permitting agencies have required the contractor to place cofferdams around concrete pier removals.

Since this is a timber and riprap pier, can MDT check with the permitting agencies to see if a cofferdam is required for the existing bridge pier and the historical pier removals?

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 26-Nov-2012 9:45 MST

Cofferdams may or may not be required by one or more of the permitting agencies depending on the means of pier removal proposed by the applicant, construction methodology, the timing of the action, the aquatic and fisheries resources present, and a variety of other variables. A complete contractor plan for construction activities, pier removal activities, and temporary facilities would be necessary for the agencies to determine what special conditions (if any) would be imposed on the temporary facilities and construction activities permit(s). As a result, MDT cannot negotiate construction permit conditions at this time.

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Submitted: Wed, 21-Nov-2012 15:52 MST

Company: Sletten construction

Contact: Wade Robertson

Question:

Can you please post the geotechnical information and the as-builts for the old bridge on this project.

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 26-Nov-2012 13:43 MST

The trusses for this bridge were built in 1922 and moved to their current location in 1969. The truss drawings are attached. There are no construction drawings of the foundations.

#### **BRIDGE AS-BUILT**

Updated: Fri, 07-Dec-2012 9:20 MST

The files represent the as-built drawings for the structures. MDT provides them for informational purposes only.

They do not include drawings for modifications to the structures, such as joint replacements and guardrail revisions and may not completely represent current conditions. Thus, some of the information contained in these documents may be out of date or not applicable with regard to the advertised project. The contractor should not rely solely on the as-built drawings provided for bidding purposes nor does any data in these files supersede the data in the contract documents.

**Please see answer to Question No. 9 for additional Geotechnical information.**

The following Special Provision Soil Boring is hereby added to this contract:

#### **SOIL BORING SPECIAL**

The Logs of Boring are hereby added to this contract:**LOGS OF BORING**

Attached are PDF Files of the available project alignment and/or structures geotechnical report(s), geotechnical report supplements, and geotechnical laboratory summaries. There is remaining geotechnical information that is voluminous and very difficult to compile in a concise manner.

Contractors are welcome to come to MDT Headquarters to inspect soil and/or rock samples taken for the project that are stored here or to look through the complete set of Geotechnical field investigation notes, laboratory testing, analytical, or other data in our project files.

It should be noted that the project may have undergone significant changes during the design process after the original geotechnical report and supplements were issued. Thus, some of the information contained in these documents may be out of date or not applicable with regard to the advertised project. Some of the changes include, but are not limited to: Project splits (for funding, ROW issues, etc.); alignment and grade changes; and changes due to environmental factors (sensitive areas, etc.).

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Submitted: Mon, 26-Nov-2012 10:11 MST

Company: Sletten Construction

Contact: Don Charters

Question:

It said on the Livingston bridge project that cofferdams were needed. On this project why can't the department tell us whether we need cofferdams or not in order for everyone to bid it properly?

Answer:

Submitted: Wed, 28-Nov-2012 16:04 MST

As indicated in the earlier response, the approval conditions for permitting are dependent on the contractor's methodology. The permitting agencies will likely require some method of protection to contain the excavation, minimize streambed disturbance, and assure removal to the depths specified. The agencies will not give specific approval without knowing the contractor's method of removal and any proposed temporary facilities. The department relies on the contractor's experience and innovation to determine the most cost effective methods of removal to meet the contractual and legal requirements.

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Submitted: Mon, 26-Nov-2012 14:27 MST

Company: Sletten Construction

Contact: Russell Robertson

Question:

I want to expound on our previous question concerning the necessity of cofferdams. FWP and the Corps of Engineers has requested that all correspondence come through MDT. In fact, we have letters from FWP stating this. So with this, how does MDT expect the contractor to find out this information on their own?

Moreover, why is it so difficult for MDT to relay our questions on to the permitting agencies for clarification?

These vague responses to honest questions are unfair to the contractor and they should be handled with due diligence by MDT.

Answer:

Submitted: Wed, 28-Nov-2012 16:04 MST

As indicated in the earlier response, the approval conditions for permitting are dependent on the contractor's methodology. The permitting agencies will likely require some method of protection to contain the excavation, minimize streambed disturbance, and assure removal to the depths specified. The agencies will not give specific approval without knowing the contractor's method of removal and any proposed temporary facilities. The department relies on the contractor's experience and innovation to determine the most cost effective methods of removal to meet the contractual and legal requirements.

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Submitted: Tue, 27-Nov-2012 11:47 MST

Company: Allied Steel

Contact: Pat Southworth

Question:

On another project, you allowed bidding of Prefabricated Superstructure Options. Will you allow alternate superstructure options on this project?

Answer:

Submitted: Wed, 28-Nov-2012 13:50 MST

Yes, we would consider alternate superstructure options meeting the requirements of the attached special provision:

#### PREFABRICATED SUPERSTRUCTURE OPTION

- A. Description. The contractor may elect to use a prefabricated superstructure as an alternate to the superstructure shown. The superstructure may utilize prestressed concrete beams or steel beams.
- B. Materials.
- 1) Bridge Deck. Use Class SD Concrete for the bridge deck.
  - 2) Deck Reinforcing Steel. Use the same type and grade of reinforcing steel as is shown in the plans.
  - 3) Grout. Use a commercially available Structural Non-Shrink Grout or UHPC grout suitable for connections between prefabricated elements.
  - 4) Steel. Use AASHTO M 270 Grade 50W steel for primary steel members.
- C. Construction Requirements.
- 1) Insure that all design work is done under the supervision of a professional engineer licensed in Montana.
  - 2) Design the superstructure to meet AASHTO LRFD specifications and in accordance with the Montana Structures Manual.
  - 3) Use the bridge rail system shown in the plans.
  - 4) Maintain the same number and types of deck joints.
  - 5) Limit Live Load Deflection to no more than  $L/800$  for the Design Truck and Design Tandem with dynamic load allowance. For this calculation, use the live load distribution factors used for design of the beam.
  - 6) Insure that the bridge deck has been designed for both traffic loads and rail or barrier impact loads.
  - 7) Insure that the total depth of the superstructure, including any overlay, does not exceed the superstructure depth shown on the plans and will maintain design low beam elevation.
  - 8) Design and construct the superstructure to provide a finished riding surface that matches the roadway grades. If an asphalt overlay is needed to meet this provision, provide a specification that will be followed during construction for approval. Include in the specification at a minimum the relevant parts of the "Bridge Concrete Deck Overlay - Asphalt" specification that is available on the MDT web site  
[Bridge Concrete Deck Overlay - Asphalt](#)
  - 9) For steel beams, design for fatigue by using details that are Category C or better and designed for infinite life.
  - 10) The superstructure was designed as part of a system to distribute lateral loads from hydrostatic and



seismic forces to the substructure through diaphragm action of the slab. Additionally, the superstructure may become inundated with water during floods exceeding the 10-year design event. Insure that the alternate superstructure meets the intent of the original system design. Submit calculations as necessary to verify design intent.

11) Submittals.

a) Provide two sets of designs for the proposed Prefabricated Superstructure and any modifications to the bridge substructure that have been stamped and signed by the supervising engineer.

b) Provide design information as required to either validate or alter the substructure shown.

c) Provide a revised set of design drawings showing all changes to the bridge. Prepare the drawings using a CAD system. Submit the drawings in Adobe Acrobat Reader (.pdf) format. Include a cover letter signed by the supervising engineer transmitting the finished drawings. In addition, provide the CAD files used to detail the revisions. Upon request, the original design drawings will be made available.

d) Provide five sets of shop drawings to the Project Manager meeting the requirements of the Standard Specifications. Shop drawings may be submitted on 11" x 17" sheets and may be furnished in Adobe Acrobat Reader (.pdf) format in lieu of hard copies.

D. Method of Measurement. The bridge shown on the plans will be the configuration measured or calculated for payment. No additional items will be measured as a result of the use of the Prefabricated Superstructure.

E. Basis of Payment. Payment will be as specified for the measured items.

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Submitted: Fri, 30-Nov-2012 12:28 MST

Company: BMT

Contact: Bob Barnhart

Question:

Special Provisions 28.B.2 States: Casing materials, fabrication and inspection are specified in Section 556.

I don't find anything in Sec 556 that relates to the casing. Sec 556 looks to be for the structure which would need to be by an AISC certified shop. Can you refer me to where I can find the requirements for fabrication, testing and inspection of the casing.

Answer:

Submitted: Wed. 05-Dec-2012 12:55 MST

Special Provision 28.B.2) requires permanent steel casing to meet "materials, fabrication and inspection"

requirements of Section 556. Supplemental specification 556.03.1-Pre-qualification, lists specific items that require AISC certified shops to perform fabrication. If specific items are not listed they are considered

ancillary and do not require certified fabrication shops to perform the work. All other requirements of Section 556 and the contract apply, such as shop drawings, qualified welders, welding procedures and Buy America.

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Submitted: Wed, 05-Dec-2012 15:21 MST  
Company: Sletten Construction Company  
Contact: Russ Robertson  
Question:  
Will pugmilling be waived for this project?

Answer:

Submitted: Thu. 06-Dec-2012 15:45 MST

Yes.

The following special provision is hereby added to the contract.

PUGMILL MIXING [301] (ADDED 1-1-03)

Pugmill mixing of surfacing aggregates called for in Subsection 301.03.5 B is not required for this contract.

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Submitted: Wed, 05-Dec-2012 15:46 MST  
Company: Schellinger Construction Co., Inc.  
Contact: Marc Blanden  
Question:  
Special Provision 24 - Preload with Special Embankment states "Special Embankment is required with a 90-day wait period to allow for settlement of the foundation soils."

If the Special Embankment is placed in February or March and no other work is completed on the project for the 90-day settlement period will contract time still be charged on the project during this 90 day time period?

Answer:

Submitted: Fri. 07-Dec-2012 11:15 MST

Working days will not be assessed against the contract time during the 90 day settlement period if no work is in progress.

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Submitted: Thu, 06-Dec-2012 14:16 MST  
Company: Inland Foundation  
Contact: Tony Haguewood  
Question:

We were told that in order to get a copy of the entire geotechnical report that you had to request it on the Q & A Forum. Could you please send us a copy of the entire geotechnical report for this project?

Answer:

Submitted: Fri. 07-Dec-2012 9:20 MST

The documents can be found at:

[GEOTECHNICAL REPORT](#)

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**Also, please refer to the answer posted for Question No. 2 for Logs of Boring.**

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Submitted: Thu, 06-Dec-2012 16:23 MST

Company: LHC, Inc

Contact: David Steely

Question:

You have listed the high water elevation on the plans. Would the State please also include a typical or average low water elevation which would be very helpful information?

Answer:

Submitted: Fri. 07-Dec-2012 9:10 MST

The low water surface elevation can vary significantly from year to year. As of a survey dated April 21, 2011, the average water surface elevation was approximately 3333.0 at the new bridge location.

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Submitted: Fri, 07-Dec-2012 10:33 MST

Company: Malcolm Drilling

Contact: Jim Tripp

Question:

The drilled shaft casing is specified at 4' dia. 4' dia. rock tooling will not pass thru a 4' I.D. casing. In order to get a 4' dia. rock socket an over size permanent or temporary casing is required. Will MDOT allow for a temporary casing greater than 6" in dia. larger than the specified shaft size of 4'? To what elevation does the paint have to extend down the permanent casing?

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 15:39 MST

Do not excavate holes larger than the outside diameter of the permanent casing.

Permanent casings with an inside diameter of at least 48 inches up to 51 inches are approved.

Apply paint to the casing before installation, starting 24 inches below finished channel elevation, continuing to the top of the casing."

See special provision #28 for additional requirements relating to casings.

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Submitted: Fri, 07-Dec-2012 14:22 MST

Company: LHC, Inc

Contact: David Steely

Question:

Follow-up to question 10: Sheet 15 of 19 states that the "OHW" ( Observed High Water ) is elev. 3333.0'. Is this and the average elevation the State gave in question 10 supposed to be the same elevation? Please clarify.

Also, if these are the same, it looks like the contractor may have to place fabric and rip rap into about 5 feet of water. Will the State be adding an item for cofferdam protection or is the contractor just supposed to place the fabric and rip rap as closely as possible to the shapes depicted for "Bent 1" & "Bent 2" as shown on Sheet 15 of 19?

Answer:

Submitted: Tue. 11-Dec-2012 12:00 MST

As previously stated, the low water elevation will vary significantly from year to year. It is likely that some portion of the riprap sections shown will be below the low water surface elevations. Place the riprap to the limits and elevations shown on the plans. It is the contractor's responsibility to determine their methods of excavation and placement of fabric and riprap to assure reasonably close conformity with the plan dimensions. Any temporary facilities required to facilitate the excavation and placement of the fabric and riprap are the contractor's responsibility.

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Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 06:29 MST

Company: Pumco, Inc.

Contact: Chad D. Pumnea

Question:

Please post the microstation and geopak files. Thank you.

Answer:

Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 08:46 MST

The design files for the requested project are posted on the MDT FTP site for your use at:

[GEOPAK FILES](#)

The requested files do not represent the staked project, but are only design files. The Department cannot guarantee the accuracy of the electronic data, particularly as it may be called up by your computer, nor does any data in these files supersede the data in the contract documents.

In addition, the Department will not make any revisions to the electronic files pertaining to the staked project, change ordered work, or changes that are made during construction to fit field conditions.

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**103 - 2003 - SAFETY IMPVT - S WHITEFISH**

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Clarification:

Submitted: Thu, 15-Nov-2012 14:09 MST

Use either ½-inch or ¾-inch nominal aggregate size when producing commercial plant mix on this project.

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Clarification:

Submitted: Tue, 20-Nov-2012 9:20 MST

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Clarification:

Submitted: Tue, 27-Nov-2012 08:59 MST

The Utility Installation Special Provision below is hereby added to this contract.

**UTILITY INSTALLATION**

Utilities relocation work is not complete, and will not be complete as of the letting date and contract award date.

Project work must be coordinated with the utility company relocation activities until the utilities relocation work is complete. Under no circumstances will a delay in relocating utility facilities be considered justification for additional compensation. Should unforeseen conditions arise which substantially delay the utilities relocation work, and this directly results in a delay to the project work, make a written request to the department for a time extension (see sub-section 108.07.4).

1) Coordinate with utilities to accomplish the relocations concurrently with road construction.

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Submitted: Mon, 10-Dec-2012 08:54 MST  
Company: Schellinger Construction Co., Inc.  
Contact: Marc Blanden

Question:

Considering that the months of April, May, and June are months of high precipitation in the Whitefish area and there are "Moisture Sensitive Soils" on this project, would MDT consider adding a flextime notice to proceed to this project so that work could be completed in the drier months?

In addition this would also allow for the existing utilities to be relocated before the earthwork begins on the project and would avoid additional conflicts.

Answer:

Submitted: Tue. 11-Dec-2012 12:03 MST  
The Notice to Proceed will be issued with an effective date of July 8th, 2013. The Contractor may change the notice to proceed date by submitting written notification to the Project Manager at least ten calendar days in advance of the date selected. Include an updated schedule with the notification.

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#### 104 - W OF CHESTNUT - SLIDE REPAIR

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Clarification:

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Submitted: Tue, 27-Nov-2012 10:25 MST  
Company: Janod Inc.  
Contact: Todd Reccord

Question:

Page 13 of SP No. 18 Ground Reinforcement Mesh System states..."The work consists of designing a ground reinforcement system.." Is this design needing to be stamped by a Registered Professional Engineer licensed in Montana or is it a manufacturer's design? The detail of the plans seem to indicate the design is done.

Answer:

Submitted: Wed, 28-Nov-2012 10:00 MST  
The design of the ground reinforcement mesh system can be done with or without the input of a Registered Montana Professional Engineer. Acceptance of the final design is contingent upon the proposed system's ability to meet all of the requirements in the Contract. The details shown in the plans are for informational purposes for bidding and are considered minimum requirements for the Contract.

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Submitted: Thu, 06-Dec-2012 07:20 MST  
Company: Janod Inc  
Contact: Todd Reccord

Question:

- 1.) Debris flow barrier: what is the minimum capacity needed for the anchor?
- 2.) What is the anticipated size of materials expected to impact the barrier?
- 3.) Should there not be bottom anchors for the debris flow barrier?

Answer:

Submitted: Fri, 07-Dec-2012 11:10 MST

1) No minimum capacity has been specified for the debris barrier. All system components and installation requirements must meet the requirements listed in the Special Provision.

2) Anticipated material size could potentially range from rocks as small as 4 inches in diameter to large woody debris approximately 2 feet in diameter. Debris is not anticipated to "impact" the barrier in the traditional sense of rockfall, but more likely encounter the barrier in a slower moving "debris flow" fashion. The purpose of the debris barrier is to prevent larger debris (rocks, trees, etc.) from reaching a lower catch bench. Debris reaching the lower bench prevents water from flowing off of the lower bench.

3) The system purposely does not have bottom anchorage so that it can be cleaned out in the event that debris does encounter the barrier. Cleanout would be after the fact and under circumstances more amenable to system maintenance, should cleaning become necessary.

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#### 105 - SF 089 - GALLATIN COUNTY OFF-SYSTEM

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Clarification:

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No Questions at this time.